

Division of Urban Parks – North Region

Department of Conservation and Recreation

June 2006 PROGRAMS

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Ocean Awareness Biodiversity Days Weekend**

Join us as we explore the variety of ocean creatures found on the Massachusetts coast and experience the wonder of walking on a local beach.

Pre-registration Instructions: Send an email to Matthew.Nash@state.ma.us or a letter with a self addressed stamped envelope to Attn: Biodiversity Days, Matthew Nash, 4 Woodland Road, Stoneham, MA 02180. Include the following information in your email or letter: your name, phone number, email address, numbers of adults and children attending, ages of the children, and programs that you would like to attend listed in order of preference. We can not guarantee that we can accommodate your requests as space in these programs is limited.

Ocean Creatures Identification Fun

Suitable for adults and children ages 10 and older.

Saturday June 3rd, 2006

9:00-10:30 a.m. Breakheart Reservation Visitor Center, 177 Forest Street, Saugus.

Working in teams and using field guides, we will learn how to identify many of the common ocean creatures found on the Massachusetts coast. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited. Refer to the top of the page for registration details.

Ocean Creatures Beach Search

Suitable for adults and children ages 5 and older.

Saturday June 3rd, 2006

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Revere Beach, Revere Beach Parkway, Revere. Join a DCR Park Ranger as we stroll along revere beach in search of ocean creatures

Pre-registration is required, as space is limited. After you pre-register, you will be notified about our exact meeting spot. Refer to the top of the page for registration details.

Biodiversity Days Bat Bonanza Weekend**

Join us to participate in various bat presentations and learn how bats are useful to people and their purpose in ecological systems; or try to catch a close up look at live bats in nature.

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Beautiful Bats

Suitable for adults and children ages 8 and older.

Friday June 9th, 2006

7:30-10:00 p.m. Breakheart Reservation Visitor Center, 177 Forest Street, Saugus. Saturday June 10th

7:30-10:00 p.m. Botume House Visitor Center, 4 Woodland Road, Stoneham.

Marianne Moore, a graduate student in bat ecology at Boston University, will give a one hour introduction to bat biology, conservation issues of bats, and information on attracting bats with a bat house. We will then go outside to observe or net bats — weather permitting. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited. Refer to the top of the page for registration details.

Bats in your Backyard Suitable for children ages 5 to 10

Saturday June 10, 2006

9-10:00 a.m Breakheart Visitor Center, 177 Forest Street, Saugus.

1:00-2:00 p.m. Botume House Visitor Center, 4 Woodland Road, Stoneham.

Join a DCR Park Ranger to learn about the amazing lives of bats in Massachusetts and the problems facing them. Learning will be achieved using active games, skits and hands on activities. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited. Refer to the top of the page for registration details.

^{* *} Co-sponsored by the DCR, Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions, Friends of Breakheart Reservation and the Friends of the Middlesex Fells Reservation.



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North Region Headquarters is located on 4 Woodland Road, Stoneham, MA 02180. Tel. (617) 727-1199.

All Programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Fri.-Mon June 2 - 27^t FELLS PHOTOS: 1ST ANNUAL SHOW, 12 – 4 pm

The Theme is Spring in the Fells. Displayed in the Temporary Gallery at the Botume House Visitor Center at 4 Woodland Road in Stoneham, submissions for the contest will be accepted through Memorial Day. For additional information, call 781 662 5214

Saturday June 3

MIDDLESEX FELLS TRAIL DAY**,

Come be a part of keeping the Fells beautiful. Wear clothes that you won't mind getting dirty, and bring work gloves if you have them. We will supply those who don't. Pre-registration required. Call: 617-662-2340, or e-mail: friends@fells.org

Saturday June 3

BREAKHEART – FELLS HIKING CLUB, 1-3 pm

Join us for this moderate 2-hour hike as we get some exercise and explore the trails of Breakheart. Dress appropriately, wear sturdy footwear, and bring plenty of water. Meeting Place: Vocational School off Farm St., Wakefield

Tuesday June 6

BABES IN THE WOODS**,

10-11:30 am

Hike Sheepfold. Infants, toddlers, preschoolers, parents, grandparents, babysitters are all welcome. Hikes are on harder terrain than the strolls but are not strenuous. For more info or to receive a map of meeting places call Rob, 781 396 8994 Meeting Place: Sheepfold Parking Lot off Rt. 28 in Stoneham.

Saturday June 10

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Saturday June 10

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Join us for this moderate 2-hour hike as we get some exercise and explore the trails of Breakheart. Dress appropriately, wear sturdy footwear, and bring plenty of water. Meeting Place: Visitor Center

off Lynn Fells Pkwy., Saugus.

Saturday **June 12**

CONCERT IN THE GAZEBO**,

7pm

Air Force Band of Liberty.

Bring a blanket and a picnic and the whole family.

For more information, call 781-233-0834 www.saugus.org/FOBR

Tuesday June 13

BABES IN THE WOODS**,

10-11:30 am

Stroll Bellevue Pond. Strolls can be done with a regular carriage or jogging stroller; kids in frontpacks, backpacks or walking. For more info please see June 6. **Meeting Place:** Bellevue Pond Parking Area on South Border Road, Medford.

Saturday June 17

BREAKHEART HIKING CLUB, 1-3pm

Join us for this moderate 2-hour hike as we get some exercise and explore the trails of Breakheart. Dress appropriately, wear sturdy footwear, and bring plenty of water. <u>Meeting Place</u>: Visitor Center off Lynn Fells Pkwy., Saugus.

Tuesday June 20

BABES IN THE WOODS.**

10-11:30 am

Hike Crystal Spring. Birds and other wildlife are often seen, and animal tracks if there's mud. Bring snacks and dress for the weather. For more info please see June 6. <u>Meeting Place:</u> Crystal Spring Parking Lot on the Lynn Fells Parkway, Stoneham.

Saturday June 24

CANOE BELLE ISLE MARSH, 10am

Join Ranger Pete in exploring this ecologically important part of The Rumney Marsh Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). Participants must be at least 12 years old, able to swim, and have canoe experience., be able to swim and be at least 12 years old. Pre-Registration required. Call: 617-727-1199 ext. 212

Saturday June 24

HISTORY HIKE WITH MIKE**, 10:30 am

Walk back through Spot Pond Brook history, beginning near the turn of the 18th century. Hear of rubber industry magnate Nathaniel Hayward and the first gift of land for the public trust. **Meeting Place:** 1 Woodland Road, at the intersection of Pond St., in Stoneham. Rain cancels.

Saturday June 24

CONCERT IN THE GAZEBO**,

7pm

Hammertoe

Bring a blanket and a picnic and the whole family. For more information call 781 233-0834 www.saugus.org/FOBR

Sunday June 25

BREAKHEART - FELLS HIKING CLUB, 1-4pm

Join us for this *difficult 3-hour* hike as we get some exercise and explore the trails of Middlesex Fells. Dress appropriately, wear sturdy footwear, and bring plenty of water. <u>Meeting Place</u>: Jerry Jingle Park, Lynn Fells Pkwy at the Melrose / Stoneham Line.

Tuesday June 27

BABES IN THE WOODS**,

10-11:30 am

Stroll Bellevue Pond. We'll be out about 1 ½ hours. Rain cancels. No dogs please. For more info please see June 6. <u>Meeting Place</u>: Bellevue Pond Parking Area on South Border Road, Medford.

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